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Harold,

If I felt that using the material on the head wound with accreditation to you could do anything but help you I would never dream of using it.

1) a mention of a provocative tid-bit like the displaced head wound can only whet people's appetites for wanting to know more. Contrary to what you feel, it does not take the steam out of your discovery, but rather lets people know that you have discovered something of great importance.

2) Many people who have never read your books have no first hand knowledge of the amazing things you've uncovered. They see your name only when someone like Kaplan is calling you a chicken farmer. People who haven't read your work have no way of knowing what you've done unless they're told. This is an axiom of advertising.

I think you do me a disservice by suggesting that I am not sensitive about you and your work. If I felt that I was in any way exploiting either I would not even have considered using the head stuff. I honestly believe that I would be doing you

a favor, and that is not a rationalization or an attempt to ease my conscience. You better than anyone should know that I wouldn't be writing an article if a) I hadn't gotten ~~the~~ so pissed off at what the Times did to you; and b) if I hadn't been unsuccessful in getting pro-writers like Nenoff or McDougall interested enough to pursue the matter.

You should also know better than to say something like ~~I'll~~ "there is nothing I can do to stop ~~me~~ you." I wouldn't leave it in over your objection no matter how essential I feel it is.

I hope you'll consider what I'm saying. If you want the bad stuff out it will come out. It is a devastating blow against Epstein, but it is not essential to documenting my case against the Times.

I'll talk to you further about it.

Peace,

Jerry

P.S. I'm not pretending to be making ~~any~~ revelations about ~~the~~ political assassinations. Everything on that subject is the work of others — ~~with your help~~ Thompson, Kaiser, ~~Hugh~~ Meagher etc. I'm simply showing that no revelation has been so great that the times would not be ~~blackballed~~ ~~by~~ deterred from its opinion by facts.